

EVERS HAS A BATTING AVERAGE ABOUT .167, BUT YOU CAN'T JUDGE A BOOK BY THE COVER

MATTY'S ROLLICKING REDS HERE TODAY TO FURNISH EXCITEMENT FOR PHILS AND JOHNNY EVERS

Latest Entry in Pennant Derby Has Upset the Dope in Last Few Weeks; Fans Regret the Passing of Bert Niehoff

REGARDLESS of future fortunes of the Cincinnati club—and they are heavy favorites to cop a place in the select first division this year—the rehabilitation accomplished by Old Chris Mathewson will stand out as the greatest single feature of the National League race.

BUT any club which can boost its batting average from .236 to .267 in six weeks is going to just naturally climb.

The Redlegs and Johnny Evers Will Be With Us Today

THE skidding batmen will entertain the Cincinnati clubbers at the ball yard this p. m., and unless something startling happens our nine is likely to have some hard luck.

Johnny Evers will play today and is slated to be the big fish at the exercise which will be held in his honor.

BUT all hope is not yet lost. Perhaps he still will be able to make his daily appearance, but in another position.

Winning Spurt by Connie Macks Puts Them in Running Again

WITH the pitchers going good and the clouters clouting the ball as of yore, the Athletics finally tumbled into a winning streak which caused undue excitement in the baseball world.

Speaking of youngsters, Connie's selections are going strong these days. Bates is slugging the ball and Roy Grover, who was looked upon as a lemon, is playing the game of his life.

THE acquisition of Jamieson from Washington strengthened the club considerably. Connie has had hard luck with his right fielders, but it now looks as if he had solved the problem.

Is Oulmet an Amateur or Professional Golfer?

THE strangest situation that ever faced the golfing association in this country has resulted from the victory of Francis Oulmet in the Western Golf Association last Saturday.

Next week a picked team of amateurs, headed by the former national champion, Jerome D. Travers, will play for the benefit of the Red Cross against the home-bred English and Scotch professionals, and Travers has asked Oulmet to play on his team.

THE United States Golf Association decided some time ago not to change any of the golf rules until the rules committee of the St. Andrew's Club could be consulted, and as most of the committee are fighting in the trenches, this meant that nothing would be done until the war is over.

Kilbane Due in the City Today

JOHN PATRICK KILBANE, Mrs. John P. Kilbane and baby are honoring the city with their desirable presence. The featherweight king and his wife came East from their home in Cleveland and arrived this morning.

Looking over the records of the contestants in the big bout it is noted that July is an off month for these two sterling scrappers. Outside of the Brooklyn bout last year, between Leonard and the former champion, Welsh, the month of July does not appear in either boy's record, going back several years.

All indications point to a huge attendance. A letter at hand from a sportsman of Trenton, N. J., states that a good delegation of the sporting element of that town will be on hand.

WHEN A FELLER NEEDS A FRIEND



EXTRA HOLE MATCHES THAT HAVE MARKED GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS IN OUR OWN COUNTRY AND ABROAD

WHEN Ned Sawyer defeated Robert Markwell, one of the Yale University golf stars, on the forty-second hole in the western amateur golf championship, he established a new mark in this country for long-distance matches.

Other Philadelphia has figured in twenty-hole matches. Mrs. J. P. McFadden won the first in 1909, when she beat Miss Genevieve Hecker, who later won the championship twice running.

Wins on Fortieth Hole. The following year Walter Fairbanks, one of the oldest men playing very fine golf today and for years the best man in Colorado, set a new mark when he defeated J. E. Curtis on the fortieth hole.

THE first time there was an extra-hole match in the semifinals was the following year, when Travis won from Florida Dougherty, one of the first men to win the title of the thirty-eighth hole.

Victor of Two Long Matches. W. L. Tuckerman, for years the most prominent player in the District of Columbia, was the winner of two extra-hole matches in 1910, defeating F. A. Martin and Harold Weber on the thirty-seventh green.

There were two extra-hole matches in 1912. Albert Seckel, a former western titleholder beat Insloe on the thirty-seventh hole, and Hamilton Kerr, who is now in the army, trimmed Paul Hunter, a former western champion. This tournament was played at the Chicago Golf Club and was captured by the winner of two British cracks, Hilton and Norman Hunter.

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In America the average caddy's age is the age of her worship. At that time of his life the great golfers are marvelous beings. I well remember that when I was a small boy the very names of big golfers were something to be glowed over in secret, and a smile or a nod from them put me into the seventh heaven of delight.

It may be that he is a country lad who has walked a long distance to CHARLES EVANS reach the golf course. To him the clubman, with his good clothes, his golf bag and clubs, his new balls and swift and shining automobile is a wonderful image of success; his conduct and his language are of course to be imitated.

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CYNWYD PLAYERS WIN TWO MATCHES

Virtually Clinch Title in Division A—Beat Germantown Team, Score 8 to 1

BECK DOWNS DONOVAN

Cynwyd Country Club virtually clinched the Tri-State League tennis title by winning eight of the nine points in the postponed match with Abingdon Country Club team at Norristown on Saturday.

Dr. Phillip B. Hawk, one of the best players in this section, leads the Cynwyd team. He played No. 1 against D. H. Meigs, headmaster of the Hill School at Pottstown, winning in three well-contested sets.

Charles N. Beard, Norman Swayne, Paul Gibbons, T. C. Leonard and Dr. Eldridge Hilton were the other winners for Cynwyd. All won their matches in two sets.

Warren L. Irish, captain of the Plymouth Country Club team, played with Kenneth Sherman in the first match, which was a remarkably good struggle in the match with C. N. Beard and Hawk, the Cynwyd pair eventually winning 6-1, 4-6, 12-10.

Cynwyd plays at Springhaven Country Club next Saturday afternoon, and Saturday, August 4, Plymouth will come here for a return match.

Cynwyd B Team Wins Match

Cynwyd tennis team, led by Howard M. Donovan, also won a big victory when the Germantown B players were defeated, 5 points to 1.

William T. Tilden, 2d, found it a difficult task to master a team of players for this match, which was postponed from earlier in the season. Four of the points were defaulted. Many of the players were out of town and so many had entered the service.

Beck defeated Captain Donovan in a two-set match without much difficulty. The local junior champion was playing at top speed, winning 6-2, 6-2. The Germantown player was out of his element in the match with Marshall Vanaman and Roy Coffin found Paul Vanaman too aggressive. Beard and Coffin lost the doubles match with W. B. Miles and Paul Vanaman.

War Takes Cynwyd Players

The Cynwyd team lost quite a number of players because of the war. Joe Keefe, one of the best singles players, is now in the naval reserve. E. M. Spangler is also a member of the scout patrol and A. L. Oliver is at Plattburgh. Captain Donovan still has Joe Keefe, A. Doelet, A. D. Gratz, Hampton, John Haines, J. M. Vanaman and Paul Vanaman.

One match is scheduled in the Tri-State League B series, for next Saturday. Cynwyd takes nine points by default from Moorestown. The Germantown team is scheduled to play at Overbrook, Overbrook is at Plattburgh. Captain Donovan still has Joe Keefe, A. Doelet, A. D. Gratz, Hampton, John Haines, J. M. Vanaman and Paul Vanaman.

HOW TO PLAY GOLF

Charles (Chick) Evans Jr.

Caddies Learn From Golfers' Example

DO YOU think that the average golf caddy realizes what his actions may mean to the boy? I think some words on this subject might go a long way toward curing a possible evil in golf.

To a caddy, the most wonderful man in the world is the golfer who employs him. The little fellow usually comes from a home where money is not plentiful. He is accustomed to seeing his father leave early for work and return late.

Young as he is, he has realized the pinch of poverty. With a caddy's looks larger to him than a dollar does to a man.

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BROADWAY A. C.—TONIGHT

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IF GOOD HANDS ARE REQUISITE AS DRAFTING QUALIFICATIONS, FEW BASEBALL PLAYERS WOULD PASS

Bad Feet and Legs and Spike Injuries Also to Be Figured—Recruiting Officer Says Acceptance Ratio One Out of Twenty

BY GRANTLAND RICE

JUST what effect the forthcoming draft will have upon baseball is not yet outlined for public consumption.

We have heard two definite propositions stated. First, that no ball players would be drafted.

Second, that any ball player drafted would be given six months to report. The last proposition may be true. The first doesn't sound reasonable.

It may be possible that any players drafted will try and figure things out in such a way that no one club will be unduly broken up while others lose no valuable flesh.

But as there are any number of unmarried ball players between the ages of twenty-two and thirty who are in first-class physical shape, many of these will be called from the diamond toward the trench—and many more will very likely go after the season is over.

Physical Conditions

One expert of the game who has been following baseball for more than twenty years says that very few will be accepted for military service.

His idea is that most ball players have gnarled or broken fingers, and that good fingers are among the essentials for military service.

He says also that any number of ball players have been badly spiked or cut at one time or another, and that few will be found with feet and legs in proper condition for service.

It talked with a recruiting sergeant about this baseball problem," he said, "and I was informed that the sergeant in question had examined more than twenty supposedly physical specimens, and that for reasons assigned above only one could be accepted by the army.

Just how far a broken, twisted or gnarled finger would figure in elimination we do not know. Most ball players have this defect. But until they actually come up for army examination the correct status will not be known.

Army and Sport

It is a queer fact that any number of athletes who might be football, baseball or tennis stars cannot pass the army examination.

And many others who, physically, are hardly considered husky enough for football or baseball or the ring, are O. K. in the Khaki League.

We know several husky citizens, athletes in training only a brief while back, who have been dropped out at various quarters arranged for the officers' reserve corps.

In some cases old football or baseball injuries that had been forgotten brought back to mind when the long hiking and the grind of the drill began to get in its work.

Yet training in sport has made it far easier for those who were retained. Those accustomed to hard exercise have found the military training easy enough to stand where upon others, unused to a life in the open, the routine fell with a stunning crash.

A man, for example, who plays a good many sets of tennis a week or who plays golf with fair frequency, takes but little time to get in fine shape for the hiking and drilling.

Johnny Overton or Howard Berry

Take for leading illustrations the cases of Johnny Overton and Howard Berry. Overton has been training for years for cross-country runs and mile sprints. A cross-country hike would be nothing to him.

Howard Berry has been playing football and baseball and in between indulging in a life upon the track—running, jumping and the like. A day or two and he could stand any physical ordeal.

Another Side

But one athlete put the matter to us in another way. "It isn't the matter of physical ability," he said, "but it is often a matter of nerves. I don't mean that one may be afraid. But in sport you get direct competition and there is always a variety. In the military and there is a certain routine which begins to work upon many nervous systems. In this way a man who might last out a hard football game easily might cave in on a march."

AMERICAN LEAGUE

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